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Senior Warden's Report

As I write these words, I am reflecting on Saint Timothy's December 2010 Vestry meeting, where we adopted a balanced budget based on our highly successful New Consecration Sunday stewardship campaign last November. Pledges totaling \$449,576 were received as the congregation's answer to one simple question: What percentage of my income is God calling me to give? What a difference a year makes! I am particularly pleased that the New Consecration Sunday pledge campaign allowed us to complete our financial stewardship efforts in a very short time frame, avoiding the multiple month campaigns of past years.

The budget for 2011 restores cuts made last year to staff professional and continuing education expenses, provides for a 2% cost-of-living increase for staff members (the first in several years), bolsters our operational reserves and significantly increases our pledge to the Diocese of Colorado. Thank you to the stewardship committee for conducting such a successful effort, and thank you to everyone in the parish who participated!

I am pleased to report that our church made considerable progress in a number of important areas in 2010. Your Vestry entered into its second year of goal setting with Michael and the church staff. Our church purpose statement was used as a guide as the church considered and adopted goals that allow us to make positive progress. The Vestry adopted four goals for the 2010-2011 program year: take a leadership role in meeting our financial obligations and increasing our reserves, work towards the development of a narrative budget for the church, take a leadership role in promoting 25% of the parish providing hands on help for the poor, and visit newcomers with Michael. The Vestry has made already good progress in implementing several of these goals. In addition, the Vestry conducted a mutual ministry review with Father Michael for the second consecutive year, a process that encourages a joint evaluation of past accomplishments as well as a coordinated and positive planning approach for the future.

The completion of the first phase of our community garden was a great accomplishment in 2010. Many church members were involved with the

planning, funding, constructing, planting, watering and harvesting of this welcome addition to our property. Thank you to all of the volunteers that made the bounty of vegetables possible! Another milestone was the redecoration of the narthex to make this area of our building more comfortable and welcoming. Thanks to Joyce Culwell's leadership, the changeover to our narthex has been remarkable, with an entirely different look due to fresh paint, a new décor, wonderful wall hangings and attractive furniture. The new television monitors allow us to display pictures and information about church events.

Sandy Blake's fine work in leading new adult formation classes and new kinds of worship opportunities has been a highlight for me over the past year. And Lindsay Leaman's work as parish administrator continues to be a blessing as she coordinates the many jobs that need to be done with our building.

Shanda Velisek's vision led to a highly successful expanded fall festival with pony rides and a bouncy castle, which attracted many families with children from the surrounding community. Shanda has also been busy planning and laying the groundwork for the Drennen O'Melia Youth Center, which promises to enter the construction phase early this year once the necessary building permits are approved.

Deacon Cammie continues to be a blessing to St. Tim's through her leadership of our Samaritan outreach efforts and in so many other ways. Through Cammie's coordination of social service agencies in the south metro area, a newly created task force is picking up steam in its efforts to provide shelter and survival kits for the homeless. Over \$7500 has been raised to date from regional agencies, governments and corporations, making the distribution of motel vouchers and survival kits to the homeless possible.

Thanks to our property committee, many needed improvements to our church property became reality in 2010. Our asphalt parking lot was repaved and restriped, greatly improving its safety and appearance. Each of you who made a donation helped meet the need for energy efficient replacement boilers, keeping our building warm during cold weather. Donations in excess of the cost of our new boilers were used to repair the ceiling of our front portico, replace weather-worn siding, repair damage to the south exterior wall of our building and replace burned out light bulbs in the sanctuary. Thanks to the Denver Water Board and the Mile Hi Youth Corps, we were able to install low flow toilets throughout the building, cutting our usage of water.

We continued to make our building available to outside groups in 2010. We welcomed Boy Scout Troop 117 to St. Tim's in September, and hosted overflow crowds for the Littleton Chorale's two Christmas concerts. The Friends of Roxborough State Park and John Fielder used our facility for a slide show and book signing to raise funds to protect the park's scenic beauty.

Finally, our church's recognition of ten years at our current location featured a wonderful history celebration and an unforgettable musical concert featuring Don Warner and Gene Culwell on the organ, an expanded choir and the talents of our church bell ringers and the Denver Bronze. This celebration was the centerpiece of an extraordinary weekend, which allowed us to remember our past, enjoy the music that is such an important part of our church identity today, and provide for the future through everyone's generous response on New Consecration Sunday.

I appreciate the opportunity to have served as your senior warden for the past three years. Thank you for your support and prayers!

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Fullerton

Associate Rector's Report

GRATITUDE for the opportunities to get to know many of you even better this year through Divine Diners, Out to Lunch Bunch, Vestry, Marketing Committee, Directory group, Web work, Daughters of the King and Cursillo as well as through my official duties; Women's Retreat and Spirituality Committee, Moms and Tiny Tims, Adult Forum, Wednesday Study Brunch and Alternative Worship (see below). Even with reduced responsibilities at St. Tim's I felt privileged to continue to do pastoral care in emergencies and when Michael was gone; to plan and participate in baptisms and funerals. Preaching and celebrating Eucharist with you on Sunday mornings was the frosting on my cake.

I am still on the Executive Committee of the High Plains Region and we will be visiting vestries this spring across the region. And I continue to build a jail ministry group here at St. Tim's for work in Brighton at the Adams County Detention Facility. January through May I participated in a seven month Annotated Ignatian Spirituality Program at Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat House practicing a deeper form of prayer ---a dialogue with the fully human Jesus via scripture. January through May I joined a JustFaith group to learn more about caring ministries in the Denver region and to connect

with JustFaith folks at St. Tim's who were to become presenters for Adult Forum (see below). In February the Knights Templar with the sponsorship of Bob Sage gave me a gift of pilgrimage to Israel. This experience continues to profound a year later. This has been a "blessed" year all around.

My "stats" for the year of January - December 2010 are as follows: preaching/St.Tim's—29 services, Celebrant/St.Tim's--53 services, mid-week Eucharists and private communion--7, Adams County Detention Facility--10 services, St. Clare's Supper -- 2 services, St. Francis Center -- 1 service; funerals--5, baptisms--3, reconciliation/absolution--1, last rites--2.

I have loved partnering with staff and with this gifted community in building and dreaming programs this year. You have been loving friends in Christ. I continue to feel the warmth of this community that I experienced when I first arrived over two years ago. God's blessings on all of you and deep gratitude for this good year among you. --- Rev, Sandy Blake

Adult Forum

Sunday worship schedule was changed to open up a meeting time at 9:00 am for folks to have the opportunity to be more involved in Adult Education. August 15 through December 5 we did a series studying the prophet Amos facilitated by Rev. Sandy Blake alternating with JustFaith book discussions led by the five JustFaith graduates at St. Tim's. They are Helen Breyfogle, Nan Fullerton, Marian Haugh, Rev. Marsha Heron, and Rev. Cammie Houpt. In addition Dr. Dana Max and Monette Park talked about the Columbine massacre and their passion for helping kids to thrive in today's world. Music educator Margaret Utter wound up the series with FAITH FORMATION AND THE KAZOO, a musical kick-off for the Advent-Christmas season. During this series Adult Forum attendance varied from seven to twenty seven.

Alternative Worship

St. Tim's experimented with our own "**Wilderness at St. Tim's**" worship March 10 (third week of Lent) initiated by Rev. Sandy Blake with Kate Eaton, a founder of the Wilderness at St. John's Cathedral. With Anglican liturgy as foundation we ventured creatively with music composed by Kate Eaton and performed with her worship team. St. Tim's Lauren Packard did liturgical dance during the Offertory. There were prayer stations, candles, myrrh, special lighting effects on the ceiling of the sanctuary. This service sought to be experiential engaging all of the senses. One of the purposes of Wilderness at St. Tim's was to explore the possibility of doing alternative

worship with the talent at St. Tim's, and to ascertain interest in the congregation in an alternative way to worship. There was significant interest in pursuing this mystical/spiritual form of worship.

And then in the Lenten tradition at St. Tim's and back by popular demand; March 31 **Tenebrae** worship featured Lauren Packard again this year doing emotive ballet liturgical dance that she choreographed with lights in her hands in the dimmed sanctuary and chanting by the St. Tim's choir with riveting sound effects.

In the spirit of "Wilderness at St. Tim's", December 4th Alternative Worship produced a simple and quiet **Advent Contemplative Worship**. It was designed and produced by Rev. Sandy Blake and Joyce Culwell with a vocal quartet from St. Tim's choir singing a selection from St. Gregory's of Nyssa/San Francisco. Carol Murphy chanted the hauntingly spiritual music of Hildegard Von Bingen and Margaret Utter made a stunning debut with her Indian flute. Procession included Tim's Drummers with tambourine and rain stick. Rick Carroll did a dramatic reading in lieu of a homily. There were candles, icons and hundreds of little pin lights on evergreen swags in windows and around the altar inspired by Lorie Newey. Advent Contemplative Worship was well received by the congregation with requests for more opportunities to worship in this manner.

Adams County Detention Facility jail team from St. Tim's and St. Stephen's/Aurora bring Episcopal Eucharist last Friday each month to men at the facility where there is worship experimentation, including music ranging from classical to "praise" to New Age, a group homily, community prayers of the people and anointings. Matt Sweet and Simon Caddick are new members of this team from St. Tim's.

Wednesday Morning Study Brunch

From January 12 to April 28 (9:30-11:30) Study Brunch began a series called FALLING IN LOVE WITH PAUL starting with the book of Acts facilitated by Rev. Sandy Blake with 12 to 15 in attendance. FALLING IN LOVE WITH PAUL resumed September 8 -December 8 with Iliff Adjunct Professor Dennis Haugh co-facilitating with Rev. Sandy Blake. This was an academic study of Paul engaging aspects of Dennis Haugh's PhD thesis on Paul that is in process. There was time for reflection and prayer. This group ranged from 24 to 31 folks meeting weekly on Wednesday mornings from 9-11:30 with guests from other churches in the Denver area. Attendees were encouraged to bring a simple food item to share with the group. Study Brunch is self-sustaining financially.

Women's Retreat and Parish Spirituality Committee:

Members of this committee are Mary Lou Laubach, chair, Pat Jackson, Judy Baird, Margaret Utter and Rev. Sandy Blake. This committee sponsored and/or participated in three retreats in 2010; The Red Tent January 6 at Intercession Episcopal Church in Thornton; Lighten Up! all parish retreat October 2 with the very entertaining guest speaker The Very Reverend Marilyn Engstrom, dean of St. Matthew's Episcopal Cathedral, Laramie, Wyoming; and Celtic Worship December 4 with Rev. Marilyn Schneider. This was a joint retreat with St. Tim's for men and women hosted by St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church Daughters of the King.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Sandy Blake

Deacon's Report

As a deacon at St. Timothy's I serve at both services every Sunday and preach several times a year. I attend meetings as required, including Vestry meetings, Staff meetings, Deacons' meetings and retreats, Clergy meetings and the Diocesan Convention. I have done several workshops for training Eucharistic Visitors. I was trained as a Workshop Leader for "Safeguarding God's Children" and have conducted workshops for St. Tim's Sunday School teachers.

I have been involved with the Samaritan Outreach Committee and have helped organize several major projects for congregational involvement during the past year: "Give It Up...Live It Out" for the Lenten season, "Samaritan Service Week" in May, "Hands On For Haiti" in June, and "Loaves and Fishes" in July. I helped with the "Fall Festival" at the end of October. In November I organized "Operation Christmas Child" and in December, the Cherrelyn Manor Christmas. I also helped to organize a Ministry Fair with Cindy Maurer and Frank Mussato this past fall. I write a monthly column for the Epistle telling of my activities in the community. I have had meetings to organize the Eucharistic Visitors at St. Tim's, participated in the newly developed Care Committee and set up "POP": a group of people writing our own versions of the Prayers of the People. I help deliver contributions from St. Tim's to various agencies in the Denver Metro area.

I am a volunteer with Family Tree and, in particular, work in a Domestic Violence shelter as a Women's' Advocate. I also tutor children at House of Hope. I serve at St. Clare's Supper at least 2 Tuesdays a month. I started

the H.A.A.T. Force: South Metro (Homelessness Awareness/Action Task Force) last January. This ministry has taken off and is presently issuing motel vouchers to homeless individuals in the Littleton - Centennial - Highlands Ranch area on nights when the weather is dangerously cold.

I am looking forward to continued involvement in community service in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Cammie Houpt

Junior Warden's Report

2010 was a unique and rewarding one for St. Timothy's as a Property Committee was formed to review and evaluate our facilities, repairs to the parking lot were made, two boilers replaced, and needed building repairs made.

Lindsay Leaman became Parish Administrator and now supervises day to day maintenance needs.

The new Property Committee advises the Vestry in identifying safety concerns, organize work days, coordinate remodeling of facilities, study how to make the church more environmentally sustainable, and setting capital and maintenance priorities. Members are Whitney Thomas, Lindsay Leaman, Bill Utter, Dick Ten Eyck, Bruce McCrea, and Jeremy Keller.

In June it was discovered that one of our 40+ year old boilers had a crack and that both would need replacement with new higher efficiency models. Bill Utter, Joe Thompson, and Forrest Douglas helped prepare a Request for Proposal (RFP) which was sent to four companies. A fund raising campaign was needed to pay the estimated \$25,000 cost. The campaign raised the needed funds and the boilers were replaced in September. Special thanks to Bill, Joe, and Forrest for their help.

In September asphalt repairs were made to the parking lot per the 2010 budget. Thanks to Bill Utter who made up our Request for Proposal (RFP) that was submitted to three companies. Future repairs may be needed to certain areas of the concrete portion of the parking lot.

Excess funds from the Boiler Replacement Fund were used for needed building repairs to the portico ceiling, east facing soffit, stucco and crack repair on the south building wall, and to repair cedar siding on the south

side. Also thanks to Jeremy Keller who replaced the outside wooden steps on the south side of the building.

Thank you for all your support in providing resources to make much needed repairs.

Yours in Christ,

Whitney Thomas, Junior Warden

Ministry Reports

Altar Guild Report

Having assumed responsibility for directing the Altar Guild as of February 1, 2010, I spent much of the year getting acclimated to my duties, with the help of a wonderful group of dedicated women who are the Altar Guild. Their terrific attitude and tremendous help, made the transition much easier for me. My heartfelt thanks to all those on the Altar Guild, and posthumously, to Roberta Denham, for her expertise in teaching me “the ropes”. Many thanks also, to Jeff Spahr, who dedicates his time to hanging the banners as the seasons change.

In addition to regular duties, some of the 2010 projects included:

- cleaning out the storage space in the attic, as well as the cabinets in the Sacristy and Flower Room
- reorganizing the Acolyte vestments in the Vesting Room
- improving communication flow among members
- realizing cost savings by buying supplies in bulk
- finding a solution for preventing discoloration of the walls caused by the torches
- purchasing artificial trees and garland for Advent and Christmas to reduce annual expense and time spent “greening” and “un-greening” the church.

Throughout the year, we averaged 13 members, 3 of whom retired at the end of this year. As we move forward into 2011, I look to bolster membership (thank you, Michael, for your creative ideas and help); increase our supply of linens and “retire” the old ones; create some new banners with the help of the Banner Committee; reorganize the Banner Room and create a better means for storing our linens and banners. I’m sure I can think of a few more things...

My sincere appreciation to all those who step in to help the Altar Guild in one way or another, throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorie Newey

Banner Guild

All those colorful banners marking the church seasons were created by the talented ladies of the Banner Guild. This fall we worked with Altar Guild and clergy and changed the background of the Christmas frontal, repaired the fabric crèche figures, adjusted the size of over a dozen altar linens, and made the pillows used in the brown chairs in the Narthex. We meet as needed to create, repair, or alter fabric items used at St. Tim's. Anyone with an interest in sewing is welcome to join us.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Cruze cruzeduo@comcast.net

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is an international ministry of men within the Anglican Episcopal communion whose three disciplines are Prayer, Study and Service.

We read and discuss the scripture lessons for the forthcoming Sunday, using the study guide, "This Week's Word" along with Fr. Cecil Franklin's commentaries, which are very enlightening. There are some lively discussions along with some good humor thrown in for good measure.

Meetings are every other Tuesday morning from 6:30 – 8:00 am in the parish hall. The meeting dates are shown in the weekly bulletins. We invite any men of the parish to join us for some great fellowship and study.

Members of St. Timothy's Brotherhood are: Ray Bartusiak, Bob Butscher, Michael Carney, Bill Clagett, Forrest Douglas, Reid Fudge, Steve Heckscher, Greg Hoskinson, Mickey Jackson, Bob Leaman, Nick LeCuyer, Steve Packard, Matt Potts, Jeff Rudolph, Bob Rushforth, Frank Sonnenberg, Bill Utter, Matt Sweet, Bob Fullerton, and Dick Zolman.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Bartusiak

Children's Ministry

Once again, 2010 was a year of growth and development in the Children's Ministry. The Sunday School leadership team grew substantially, with six experienced teachers, seven classroom helpers, and two additional adults available for support. Along with a number of new families, this made it possible to re-open the third classroom (now grades 3-5), while the two groups of younger children remain our largest. Since the nursery also has strong attendance, we foresee continued growth in the future.

Programs which had been innovative in the past are now well-established, especially the Easter morning Gospel drama and the Weekend Bible School in August. The Christmas pageant went very smoothly, and partly because of the number of families with children, the church was completely packed on Christmas Eve and Easter morning. Through regular email updates we're communicating more effectively with our families, which we hope will get them excited about attending more regularly.

Due to budget cutbacks, the responsibility for coordinating Pastoral Care returned to me at the beginning of the year, and this had a significant impact on my leadership in Children's Ministry. At the same time, a training for Sunday School teachers made clear their lack of comfort in telling the weekly Bible story. Through the year Margaret Utter (a retired elementary school teacher) became more involved with Children's Chapel, and that coincided with a remarkable opportunity to help the children connect better with our sacred stories.

For the past twenty years a method of biblical storytelling called Godly Play has become popular in the US and many other countries. Based on Montessori educational methods, it lays out a structured way of telling the stories and inviting the children to participate. Amazingly, Godly Play founder Rev. Jerome Berryman moved to our neighborhood and contacted me about the possibility of developing a demonstration classroom in the area. That now exists at St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church in Cherry Hills Village, and we not only have materials available to us but take part in a monthly teacher's symposium with Jerome.

In order to capitalize on this opportunity, Margaret Utter has begun to serve as the Program Coordinator for our children's ministry, leading us in new directions with our curriculum. The Godly Play stories she told in December were credited by parents with helping the children enter more deeply into the Christmas story, which was evident from their engagement during the pageant rehearsals. After Easter we'll be experimenting for a few weeks

with a new Sunday School schedule in which Children's Chapel is held every week for fifteen minutes, after which the kids return to their classrooms for discussion and art activities.

One of the most heart-wrenching but also spiritually moving experiences of the year was the death of Drennen O'Melia, a twelve-year-old who drowned at a friend's birthday party. Drennen was well-known at St. Timothy's, and last Easter he took a leading role in the Gospel drama. Though he'd stepped in at the last minute, Drennen organized all the young actors and made it our best drama ever. He is deeply missed, but his legacy and the powerful sense of God's presence in responding to the tragedy remind us how critically important it is for us to welcome our children as followers of Jesus.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Michael

Cookie Angels

The "Cookie Angels" are responsible for the smiles on the faces of visitors and potential new members at St. Tim's when a Greeter hands them homemade cookies and a St. Tim's brochure. Each person on the committee is asked to bake six-dozen cookies once a year. We gave away thirty-five dozen (210 bags of two cookies each) last year. We don't claim any responsibility for the growth of our church family, but we do claim the smiles of the recipients. We would welcome volunteers to help with this rewarding project.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lou Laubach

Daughters of the King

The St. Timothy's Chapter of Daughters of the King has been blessed to renew our dedication to the vows of prayer and service. We offer intercessory prayer for all who request it and are planning service projects to support our clergy, congregation and diocese this year.

We meet on the third Saturday of each month from 9:00-11:00 am. Rev. Sandy Blake leads us in a devotion and prayer, we pray for those who have requested, and have a lesson pertaining to our vows and motto:

For His Sake...

I am but one, but I am one.

I cannot do everything, but I can do something.

What I can do, I ought to do.

What I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

Lord, what will you have me do?

We welcome inquirers and those who desire to become a member. Please contact any of the members. Co-Presidents: Joyce Culwell & Pat Jackson, Secretary/Treasurer: B.J. McClafline, Prayer Chair: Phyllis Rice, Past President of the Providence and Transportation Chair: Lyn Zolman, Media Chair: Mary Alice White, Members at Large: Cynny King, Toni Kluge, Betty O'Neill.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Culwell

Divine Diners

Divine Diners is a ministry that has been active for 24+ years. Diners join at the Ministry Fair in September of each year. Diners meet four times each year in groups of 8-10 in a host's home for dinner and fellowship, each member is asked to host once in a season. For the last 5 years we have also had an end of season dinner in the fellowship hall with everyone gathered together. Currently we have 27 couples (or pairs of single people) participating. Alternate members also can join but are not assigned a specific dinner but are available in case regular members cannot attend. Divine Diners has been an integral way for parishioners to get to know others on a more personal basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney and Ann Thomas

Flower Committee

St. Timothy's Flower Committee members are responsible for floral arrangements at the Altar every Sunday except during Advent and Lent. During Christmas and Easter seasons, we work closely with the Altar Guild on flowers and special floral arrangements such as Christmas greens and the Altar of Repose. We currently have seven active members.

We welcome any parishioner with a creative touch and a willingness to serve "behind the scenes" to add to the richness and beauty of St. Timothy's worship services. A love of flowers is a plus. New members can shadow an experienced member, work alongside a member, or receive training by arrangement.

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Cruze

Grocery Card Ministry

Thank you all who purchased Grocery Cards this year. You have generated \$4,317.75 in income on combined sales of \$90,435.00. Sales were divided as follows:

King Soopers, \$72,310.00 yielding \$3,615.50
Safeway, \$10,200.00 yielding \$306.00
Sunflower, \$5,300.00 yielding \$265.00
Target, \$2,625.00 Yielding \$131.25

In case you wonder about the differences in yield, we receive a 5% credit from all but Safeway from whom we receive a 3% credit, due to the volume requirements. Since we do not sell as many Safeway cards as King Soopers we do not buy in the volume we purchase from King Soopers. Sunflower has no purchase volume requirements, and we buy the Target cards using King Sooper gift cards so that we receive the 5% from King Soopers. Target has their own charitable program and does not discount their cards directly.

When next you see:

Jim and Liz Ault Dick Zolman
Clive and Molly Bonner Keri Bolei
Diana Mauney

please thank them for their tireless support of St. Timothy's. Elisabeth and I are especially thankful as their efforts make the Ministry successful and a lot more fun. It is rewarding to be associated with such dedicated people. Thanks for your support.

Respectfully submitted,
Frank and Elisabeth Mussato

Ladies Out To Lunch Bunch

Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch meets once a month, on the first Saturday of the month, usually at 11:30. All the ladies from St Tim's and guests are invited to come and join us for a mid-morning lunch. We met last year 12 times at various area restaurants. We have about from 18 to 25 people in attendance Please come and join us for a delightful meal, great conversation and fellowship. Call Marian McFarlane at 303-346-9274 or Sylvia Rushforth at 303-795-2837.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylvia Rushforth

Marketing Committee

The purpose of the marketing committee is to be more purposeful, intentional and organized in fostering church growth. To date, the marketing committee has spent significant time and effort in developing a new church website to make our internet presence more welcoming and informative to potential new members. Several online website drafts have been developed and reviewed by committee members. We hope to go "live" with the new site in the near future. Possible future goals of the marketing committee include setting up a fan page for the church on Facebook, and establishing a Twitter presence for St. Tim's to enhance communication opportunities.

The marketing committee seeks to promote the presence of St. Tim's in the community through event-specific publicity and development of church-related articles for submission to local newspapers and websites. An article on our community garden was developed and published in "Your Hub" thanks to the efforts of Doris Cruze. Due to the development and distribution of a press release, several articles were published in various editions of the Denver Post's "Your Hub" pertaining to the Tenth Anniversary celebration last November.

Present members of the marketing committee include Sandy Blake, Whitney Thomas, Helen Breyfogle, Marcie Weaver and Bob Fullerton. The marketing committee is looking for new members to help with a wide variety of different tasks. Whether your interest is developing growth strategies, writing for audiences outside the church or considering new

ways for attracting families with young children, the marketing committee needs you!

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Fullerton

Men's Breakfast

We are awaiting the resurrection! Are you interested?

Respectfully submitted,
Mickey Jackson, mljacks@pobox.com

Music Notes

The Adult Choir continued to steadfastly offer anthems that embellished the lectionary readings of the service through 2010. The Glory Bells enhanced the worship services as well, making the music department a regular entity at Sunday Services from September through June.

Special musicians were hired for All Saints celebration, Christmas, and Easter. Glory Bells and other parish musicians played and sang on special arrangements throughout the year on Sundays and at spring and fall retreats. The parish also enjoyed the enhancement of liturgical dance at Tenebrae and on Pentecost.

The highlight of the year was on November 6, 2010 when a concert was performed honoring St. Timothy's 10th Anniversary at 1401 E. Dry Creek Road. Fr. Don Warner and Dr. Gene Culwell shared the spotlight at the organ; the Denver Bronze joined St. Tim's Glory Bells in ringing; and, alumni joined the Adult Choir to sing beautiful music. It was a night well remembered!

All that I have mentioned takes money. I extend a heartfelt thank you to the generous donors who gave abundantly to the music department. You and our dedicated musicians made all this possible.

O God, who saints and angels delight to worship in heaven: Be ever present with your servants who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by our people on earth; and grant to them even now glimpses of your beauty, and make them worthy at length to behold it unveiled for evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. BCP p. 819

The Glory Bells Director is Lorrie Hart, the Organist is Gene Culwell, and the Director of Music and Adult Choir Director is Joyce Culwell.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Culwell

Name Tag Program

Why name tags? They are invaluable to those of us who would like to introduce new members and visitors to other members of our church family but strike a blank looking right at our best friend. They also help new members associate a name with a face. It is a courtesy to our priests and staff. If you don't have a nametag, please look in the lower right-hand corner of the first part of the alphabet, in the display to find a request form. Fill it out, place it in the basket on the Administrator's desk in the main office, and you will magically find a nametag the next week.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Lou Laubach

Prayer Shawl Ministry

For the year 2010, Prayer Shawl Ministry members created 23 knitted, crocheted and other hand-made shawls. We meet on the 4th Saturday of each month unless a change needs to be made due to other events; e.g. retreats, holidays, etc. We have a log book now for those shawls that are given to people which keeps track of the date, who made the shawl, to whom the shawl was given and who gave the shawl. These are usually presented to or by members of St. Tim's to people in need of comfort.

Thankfully submitted,
Elizabeth Dries

Re-Decorated Narthex - 2010

You have all helped; and, I want to say "Thank You" again! The parish members came together to give support: time, talent, money and spoken words. There was excitement in the air, a delightful greeting, and an expectation from the moment we started the re-decorating of the narthex. You have supported this project with energy and good will! THANK YOU!

The committee was comprised of Joyce Culwell-Facilitator, Rev. Sandy Blake and Carla Max-Co-Designers, McKinley Wiley-Artistic Chair and Rev. Sandy Blake-Technology Chair.

A Narthex Blessing was held on Sunday, November 28 after the 10:00 am service. All donors were invited to be in the Narthex, as well as the congregation.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce Culwell

Samaritan Outreach Ministry

Samaritan Outreach is committed to providing opportunities for our Parish family to support the members of our human family in their time of need. By reaching out to others less fortunate we are able to spread the Gospel by example. Because of the generous support from our Parish family, the Outreach Committee is able to sponsor projects enabling us to show our commitment to the world as a whole. Not only do we have the ability to connect on a local level but we give internationally as well.

Congregational projects for the past year include:

- Give It Up...Live It Out: a project for the Lenten Season that incorporated several ways for the congregation to participate including participating in the Ministry of Presence at St. Clare's Supper.
- Samaritan Service Week: a project during early May which included serving at the Denver Inner City Parish preparing a meal, doing maintenance activities at House of Hope, and caring for homeless animals at a local animal shelter.
- Hands on for Haiti: a project during June which included a bake sale for funds, making hygiene, educational and medical kits to be sent when feasible, and helping with a "Tie-Dye for Haiti" party with the Youth Group.
- Loaves and Fishes: a Sunday in July when we gather food supplies for our local food banks.
- Fall Festival: a project in conjunction with the Youth Group in which we were able to reach out to the children of the wider community with pony rides, a jumping castle, clowns and more.
- Walk for the Sudan: several members of St. Tim's participated in the annual Walk for the Sudan to call attention to the need for clean water and provide financial support for the Nuba Water Project.

- Operation Christmas Child: a project during the latter part of November which included preparation of 118 shoeboxes filled with gifts to be distributed to needy children world-wide, as well as participation of both adults and youth at the Processing Center getting those shoeboxes ready for shipment.
- Cherrelyn Christmas: St. Tim's provided gifts, more than 200 ornaments and Christmas cards, and trays of hundreds of cookies for residents at Cherrelyn Nursing Home this past Christmas. Approximately 20 members of St. Tim's gathered at Cherrelyn to sing carols and deliver the gifts. Over \$500 was collected for the residents' personal accounts.

On-going service projects include:

- House of Hope: a homeless shelter for women and children receives a meal prepared by St. Tim's on the third Thursday of the month.
- St. Francis Center: a homeless day shelter we support financially and with donated items such as clothing, toiletries and other items. A team of parishioners serves in person at the center.
- Garden Level Giving: collecting school supplies, gently used clothing, mittens and hats, cleaning supplies, toiletries and non-perishable food donations. The different agencies we support really appreciate our giving in this manner.
- St. Clare's Supper and Clothing Closet: several parishioners make this a priority. Upstairs we feed the homeless and the needy. We feed up to 175 people a hot, balanced and nutritious meal including a desert. Many people donate cookies and Rev. Michael and Rev. Sandy take it in turn to celebrate the Eucharist each month. Downstairs, there is the Clothing Closet which stocks clothing, toiletries, shoes, socks, blankets and hand or body warmers. This on-going ministry evolved out of the Lenten project and continues to be a favorite.
- Dorcas: We made approximately 156 layettes during the year. Most were distributed to Bridgeway, home for pregnant teens and moms, and The Gathering Place, a day shelter for homeless women. Others were given to House of Hope, 32nd Ave. Jubilee Center, Douglas-Elbert Task Force and a few other Denver area agencies. We received a very large donation of fabric from a friend of a church member. We are always in need of good used or new infant clothing, small toys and books. In addition to making layettes a few of us have made curtains for House of Hope and are currently making cloth bags for the survival kits for HAAT Force. Pamela Dittmer is now overseeing Dorcas. They usually meet the first and third

Tuesday at 10:00 am in the parish hall and are welcoming any new members or those that want to contribute homemade baby quilts, afghans, bibs, and receiving blankets.

- Homelessness Awareness/Action Task (H.A.A.T) Force: South Metro: this newly developed project is providing motel vouchers for homeless individuals in the Littleton/Centennial/Highlands Ranch area on dangerously cold nights this winter. This is a collaboration of concerned citizens from the faith-based community, working alongside ArapaHOME, Douglas County Homeless Coalition, local congregations, and non-profits. St. Tim's has been supporting this effort through personal participation, financial help, and collection of food and toilet articles, making cloth bags, and assembling "survival kits" to be given to those we serve.

In addition to all the "hands on" projects, your funds went to the following organizations:

- \$200 Inner City Parish
- \$300 Nuba Water Project
- \$400 (+ \$385 raised by Bake Sale) Colorado Haiti Project
- \$100 Mary's Hope
- \$100 CANA
- \$1300 El Hogar
- \$315 Operation Christmas Child
- \$798 Episcopal Relief and Development – doubled by anonymous donor to ERD
- \$450 Kenyan Children's Foundation
- \$100 Shiloh House
- \$200 Vital Links
- \$900 House of Hope
- \$300 Fall Festival
- \$550 Homelessness Awareness and Action Task Force
- \$500 Interfaith Community Services
- \$250 St. Clare's Ministries
- \$300 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center

Thanks to all of you for making all of these hands-on service projects possible.

Respectfully submitted,

The Samaritan Outreach Committee

Stewardship Committee

This year the Stewardship committee decided to go outside of our norm, and facilitate a new campaign to support stewardship at St. Timothy's. We were able to celebrate and visualize our "gifts as a congregation" with the growing tree in the sanctuary. Through the willingness and grace our faithful church members, the Consecration Sunday campaign was a great success. We collected \$449,576 in pledged offerings. We concluded the campaign with a celebration and fellowship filled brunch. What a blessing!

As a committee we continued to support annual events like the plant sale, picnic and fall events. We will continue to look for ways for the church to celebrate our God given talents and treasures. We thank you for your continued faith and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Pike and the Stewardship Committee

St. Francis Center

St. Francis Center is a day shelter that serves a vital niche for men and women that are homeless in the metro Denver area. Denver had food banks and overnight shelters, but people who are homeless need a place to go during the day and SFC offers a place for them. SFC also provides showers, storage, telephone service, postal service, medical and mental health clinics, and programs to help with employment and housing for our guests.

St. Timothy's has a merry, dedicated band of volunteers that travel to SFC monthly on the second Saturday and on the fifth Saturdays of the month that occur four times a year. We meet at St. Timothy's and carpool uptown together. Our Samaritan Outreach Ministry at St. Timothy's has provided us with space for donations in the church and we carry those with us to SFC. All donations are appreciated and volunteers are always welcome. Contact Ann Pontius at annjan@mac.com.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Pontius

Transmitters

We meet on Tuesdays afternoons at 3:00 in the Spiritual Reflection room off the Narthex. We are a prayer support group for all the activities at St. Tim's. We pray for the sick, spiritual guidance for those who request it, for

the dying, for our youth, for our Clergy and spiritual leaders, for the whole Body of Christ and we maintain a prayer list. If you feel called to be a part of our group (or have a request), please call Phyllis Rice at 303-795-2172 or just drop in when you can and join us.

If you have requests for prayer you may call Phyllis or the church office or sign the prayer request list in the narthex before the Sunday service. Be sure and let us know if you are going to the hospital in order to let our people who call on the sick know where you are.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Rice

Travel Group

Imagine taking a trip with friends, relaxing while all arrangements for transportation and hotels are made for you, even including shuttle service to DIA. Imagine enjoying interesting historical sites and museums without having to wait in line to buy tickets or having a wonderful dinner in a cozy restaurant with reservations already made just for you. These are but a few of the advantages of going with St. Tim's Travel Group on our next adventure. We work with an established travel company to get the best deal for your travel dollar, with airfare, hotels, and most meals included in the package. It is a relaxing way to travel and fun for all. Our June 2011 trip to the Islands of New England will mark our twelfth year of organized trips for St. Tim's. We welcome you, your family, and friends to join us.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Cruze (cruzeduo@comcast.net)

Helen Hardy (helenthardy@comcast.net)

Ushers

Ushers are the first people the worshiper meets when entering the church. First impressions are important. St. Timothy's has a dedicated group of ushers who volunteer on a rotating basis, duties include handing out bulletins, assisting visitors, collecting offerings, and inviting people to receive communion. A quarterly assignment schedule is provided to ushers, and anyone can be an usher. Currently there are 16 ushers; new members are welcome each quarter.

Respectfully submitted,

Whitney and Ann Thomas

Web Site www.sttims.net

About midyear we finished a rework of the site content. Currently we are awaiting a redo sponsored by the marketing committee. This should be complete and up in the next couple of months.

As far as usage we saw an average of unique 463 visitors a month and about 950 visits per month and our sermons seem to be very popular at almost 300 requests a month. Other than the United States, Russia, Latvia and China are the top foreign visitors.

Respectfully submitted,

Mickey Jackson, mljacks@pobox.com

Wedding Coordinator

We encourage anyone planning a wedding to consider St Timothy's to perform your solemn vows. The setting of our church reflects your love and commitment. It's a space set aside as sacred and reminds us that love never ends. Our goal is our participation with you.

Respectfully submitted;

Helen Hardy

Youth Group Annual Report

Under the direction of Shanda Velisek and with the help of numerous volunteers the youth program continues to flourish. St. Timothy's is a place where teens feel comfortable, a place where they can bring their friends and simply "hang out."

Many adults are involved in the youth program. Our adult support staff cooks, cleans, leads worship, teaches, drives, and does other tasks too numerous to list. Having a successful program requires having a large pool of adults to assist us in the program. The most prominent group of volunteers are those who assist with the program on a regular basis. Cheryl Johnson and Alice Young who assist with various office duties are two of these folks. We have a group of youth leaders who assist with weekly meetings and who are very involved with the teens directly: Greg Velisek, Elizabeth Dries, Bill O'Melia, Cliff Gagnon, Lorie Newey, Lorie Talley, Michael Carney, Doug Thomas, Geoff Shilling, Sean Velisek and Jennifer Spahr. These are the people that make our program work and the reason why we have a great youth program at St. Timothy's. We encourage

additional adult volunteers to become involved in our program. There is room for everyone, let Shanda know your gifts and she may have some ideas on how they can be used!

In 2010 our youth were very active. Among the year's activities was our 13th annual retreat to Camp Id-Ra-Ha-Je where we had a record 70 in attendance; ski/ tubing adventure to Winter Park, Water World, Genesis, and many other fun activities.

In addition to regular youth group meetings on Sunday nights - Jr High meets from 5-7 pm and Sr high meets from 7-9 pm - we had a number of small group opportunities throughout the year. In small groups teens had an opportunity to take on leadership for the group, plan and grow spiritually. Both Junior High and Senior High went on mission trips. The Senior High went to Belfast, Maine and successfully raised \$30,000 to go on this trip, with the bulk of that money being raised at the silent auction. The Junior High trip was a local one where youth worked with a number of different agencies in the Denver area, serving people in need.

Our plans for 2011 are well under way. In February we will again journey to Bailey for our 14th annual youth group retreat. Many of our teens are taking an active role in the weekend. Our summer promises to be a busy one. Our Senior High is already busy with plans to go to Mescalero, New Mexico, to help repair houses on the Apache reservation. We will continue to host monthly "icebreakers," activities to which our youth can invite friends for non-threatening fun and Christian fellowship. We will continue to participate in community outreach such as Operation Christmas Child.

Our biggest goal for 2011 is to build the Drennen O'Melia Youth Center. The undertaking is huge but we feel strongly called to provide a place in this community where teens can hang out after school and during lunch. We ask for your continued prayers and support in whatever way you feel called to give. Drennen O'Melia was truly a gift to so many of us and has forever changed all of our lives; our prayer is that we will honor him with this center for as long as St. Tims stands.

Our youth group will continually strive to improve and expand our program to fit the needs of all teens. Please pray about this as we begin to put our vision into action. Our goal is to develop the spiritual lives of young people in our congregation, as well as those outside our parish. We will continue to ask for volunteer support and prayer from all of you. Without you our program cannot achieve its vision.

Thank you for your help, support and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanda Velisek

Director of Youth Ministries